



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 888

LCO No. 2730



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING A DEFENDANT'S COMPETENCY TO STAND TRIAL AND EARLY RELEASE INTO THE COMMUNITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes relating to competency to stand trial, review
- 2 and hearings for individuals found non competent or unrestorable and
- 3 civil commitment be amended to: (1) Provide notice to victims in
- 4 circumstances prior to releasing defendants who were found to be non
- 5 competent to stand trial; (2) review and revise the probate court's ability
- 6 to release a defendant charged with the death of another person from
- 7 commitment; (3) review and revise the ability to civilly commit a
- 8 defendant charged with the death of another person; and (4) review and
- 9 revise the authority to order independent competency reviews of
- 10 defendants who are charged with causing the death of another person.

Statement of Purpose:

To review and revise the laws surrounding defendants who are found not competent to stand trial and their early release into the community.